

Shipping.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American Ship
"SUMATRA"
Captain MULLER, will have de-
spatch for the above port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE, REARD & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
To follow the "Jagers"
The British Ship
"LADY BOWEN"
Woodcock, Master, will have
quick despatch for the above
port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, October 16, 1869.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.
The British barque
"ARABIA"
Captain KIRKPATRICK, of 625 tons
Register.
For particulars, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
Hongkong, November 4, 1869.

FOR SALE.
The Paddle Wheel Steamer
"WYANDOTT"
built in New York by Messrs
Perrin, Patterson & Stock,
of White Oak, planked and caulked with Yellow
Pine, Copper fastened to deep lead line
and thoroughly treenailed. Tonnage, 1,000
tons. Length, 260 feet; Beam, 31 feet;
Depth of Hold, 20 feet; has three decks.
The Engine is American Beam of 200
Horse power, nominal, and in good order,
having every requisite.
She has two Boilers, single return flue,
with Steam Chimneys.
The Steamer has lately undergone the
most thorough repair in Hull, Engine and
Boilers.
Tenders for the purchase of the Steamer
will be received, and any further information
will be given, by the Agents.
AUGUSTINE, REARD & Co.,
Hongkong, 17th November, 1869. de17

Notices to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship
"Catharine Anne" are hereby informed
that the same will be landed and stored in
our Godowns 3 and 4 Inland Lot 8, and Go-
down 6 Marine Lot 1. A at ship's expense
but shipped risk, and delivery may be had
from the 1st of the 11th Dec, after which
date Godown rent will be charged.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, November 27, 1869. de27

P. M. S. & CO.
NOTICE is hereby given that the below-
mentioned Packages will be SOLD
for Freight and Charges, if not claimed
prior to December 23rd, 1869, viz:—
Box S.S. Colorado, August 8, 1869.
H (in diamonds) 1 case Saddles to G.
Fuller.
Box S.S. S. China, July 8, 1869.
Box L. 16, C. 1 (L. L. & C. in diamonds).
P. N. T. (J. H. Lead to G. B.
Nichols.
T. A. HARRIS,
Agent.
Hongkong, November 26, 1869. de26

NOTICE.
The following cases have been landed
and stored at the risk and expense of
the Consignees, who are requested to take
immediate delivery.
Box "Hoggy" 23rd August, 1869.
Vto A.O. 1 Portmanteau.
G. B. BENTRAND,
Principal Agent.
Hongkong, November 24, 1869.

DUTCH BARQUE MARIA LOUISA
ANTONNETTE, FROM HAMBURG.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by above-named
vessel are requested to send in their
Bills of Lading to the Underigned, for
counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at consignee's
expense.
BOULEJAU, HUBNER & Co.,
Hongkong, August 30, 1869.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.
The Steamer "Hindostan" having ar-
rived from the above Ports, Consig-
nees of Cargo by her are requested to send
in their Bills of Lading to the Underigned
for counter-signature, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at consignee's
expense.
BOULEJAU, HUBNER & Co.,
Hongkong, October 26, 1869.

BRITISH SHIP "STAR OF THE NORTH"
FROM LONDON.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
vessel are hereby requested to send in their
Bills of Lading for counter-signature to
the Underigned, and to take immediate
delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at consignee's
expense.
BOULEJAU, HUBNER & Co.,
Hongkong, October 18, 1869.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.
MR. ROBERT JOHNSTONE is autho-
rized to sign our Firm per proce-
dure.
FINDLAY, RICHARDSON & Co.,
Yokohama, November 18, 1869. de18

NOTICE.
The interest and responsibility of our
partner, the late Mr. SHAPPOONER
BOKOVINS, ceased in our firm on the 4th
instant.
CAWASSEE FALLANJE & Co.,
Hongkong, November 23, 1869. de23

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partner, the late Mr. SHAPPOONER
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CAWASSEE FALLANJE & Co.,
Hongkong, November 23, 1869. de23

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instant.
CAWASSEE FALLANJE & Co.,
Hongkong, November 23, 1869. de23

NOTICE.
We have authorized Mr. CLAVIS BODIN
to sign our Firm from this date.
DREYER & Co.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
MR. THOMAS H. DE SILVER is admitted
a partner in our firm from the 1st of
October 1869.
L. FRICKEL & Co.,
Hongkong, October 21, 1869.

NOTICE.
The Business of KINNEAR & Co., Foo-
chow, will be carried on from and
after this date under the style and firm of
KINNEAR, LARKE & Co.,
the partners therein being, Mr. WILLIAM
BARNARD KINNEAR and Mr. THOMAS LAR-
KEAR LARKE.
WILLIAM BALFOUR KINNEAR,
Foochow, May 1, 1869.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE AD-
JUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
C. LANGDON DAVIES,
Hongkong, July 1, 1869.

NOTICE.
MR. FRITZ RAPP, has been duly autho-
rized to sign our Firm per Procuration
from this date.
F. BLACKHEAD & Co.,
Hongkong, June 15, 1869.

NOTICE.
The interest and responsibility of the
late Mr. HENRY DAVIES MARGESSON in
our Firm ceased on the 30th June last;
and Mr. MONTAGUE KIRKBY MURRAY was
admitted a partner therein on 1st July.
MARGESSON & Co.,
Hongkong, August 2, 1869.

FOR SALE.
SMALL Invoice of DUFF Gordon &
Co.'s Pale Dry SHERRY, red seal.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, November 23, 1869.

FOR SALE.
(Under power contained in the Mortgage
Deed).
All those valuable Premises situate in
the North, formerly occupied by Messrs.
Smith, Kennedy & Co., and now in the oc-
cupation of Messrs. E. Schellhaas & Co.
The Premises are built on Marine Lot No.
101, and are held under Lease from the
Crown for 999 years, subject to a Crown
rent of £30 per annum. The Premises are
spacious and airy, and the ground com-
prises an area of 14,400 square feet.

Those valuable Premises adjoining the
above on its Western boundary, formerly in
the occupation of the Asiatic Bank, and
built on Inland Lot No. 514. These Pre-
mises are likewise held under a Crown
Lease for 999 years, subject to a Crown
rent of £24 10s per annum, and the Lot
contains an area of 6,750 square feet.

The above valuable Property will be sold
by Public Auction in Hongkong on some
early day (of which due notice will be given),
unless previously disposed of by private
contract.
For further particulars, apply to
Messrs. SMITH, AKOHER & Co.,
HENRY C. CALDWELL, Esq.,
Solicitor.
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1869. de3

TO BE SOLD.—A substantially built
HOUSE on Shamoan.
For Terms, apply to the present occupiers,
Messrs. MOU & Co.,
October 26, 1869. de26

Houses and Lands.
TO LET.
With Immediate Possession.
THAT desirable BUNGALOW, known
as "Greenmount" situate on the
Bonham Road, and till lately in the oc-
cupation of C. H. MORGAN, Esq.,
For Particulars, apply to
GILLMAN & Co.,
Hongkong, November 18, 1869.

TO LET.
ONE FLOOR of a house in Queen's
Road, well fitted.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, March 23, 1869.

TO LET.
WITH immediate possession, the House
and Office, No. 4, Gough Street,
lately occupied by Messrs. A. WILKINSON &
Co.
Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, October 14, 1869.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.
The Underigned will undertake to land
Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Mer-
chandise, in their own Boats, and to receive
the same on STORAGE in First-class Gra-
nite godowns, on Moderate Terms.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, March 4, 1869.

TO LET.
(With immediate possession.)
SEVERAL Strong New GODOWNS, very
conveniently situated on Marine Lot
No. 83, between Messrs. JOHN BURN & Co.'s
premises and Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON &
Co.'s Wharf.
For Particulars, apply to
A. McLEOD,
At Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s
Hongkong, April 26, 1869. de26

TO LET.
With Immediate Possession.
BUNGALOW at Pokfulam.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, September 1, 1869.

Houses and Lands.

CLUB CHAMBERS, D'AGUILAR
STREET.
A FEW Sets of these desirable Cham-
bers are now vacant, and can be had
on reasonable terms. Apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, February 5, 1869.

TO BE LET.
WITH Possession from the 1st October
next, the HOUSE AND OFFICE
No. 9, Gough Street, at present occupied
by Messrs. KIRKBY MURRAY & Co.
Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, June 30, 1869. de30

FURNISHED HOUSE TO LET.
No. 1, Pechili Terrace, Elgin Street,
neatly furnished with good English-
made FURNITURE, with possession from
1st November.
Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
Hongkong, October 1, 1869. de1

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.
In the Estate of
HENRY DAVIES MARGESSON, Deceased.
LETTERS of Administration with the
will annexed of the Estate of HENRY
DAVIES MARGESSON, late of Hongkong and
Macao, Merchant, deceased, having been
granted by the Supreme Court of Hong-
kong in its Probate Jurisdiction to the
Underigned as Attorneys for the Execu-
tors, all persons indebted to the said Estate
are hereby required to pay the amount of
their debts to the Underigned without
delay, and all persons having claims against
the said Estate are required to send in par-
ticulars of their claims with vouchers to the
Underigned (addressed to the care of T. G.
L. STEAN) on or before the Thirtieth
day of June next, after which date no
claims will be admitted.
Dated the third day of December, A.D.
1869.
W. KESWICK,
T. G. LINDSTRAED,
Administrators.

LATEST SHIPPING.
ARRIVALS.
Dec. 2, Eleanor Dixon, British barque,
405, of Adelaide, Cape, Gulf of Regay, Nov.
6, Timber.—THOMAS HOWARD.
Dec. 3, Paragon, Siamese ship, 750,
Whalers, Chetoo, Novom or 23, General—
Chinese.
Dec. 3, Mary, American steamer, 679,
P. Bennett, Shanghai, via Amoy, Nov. 23.
Dec. 3, General.—AUGUSTINE REARD & Co.,
Dec. 3, Herby, British, N. G. barque, 238,
Comrad, Put back bound to Yokohama,
Nov. 24, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

DEPARTURES.
Dec. 3, Mary, American steamer, 679,
P. Bennett, Shanghai, via Amoy, Nov. 23.
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SHIPPING REPORTS.
The American steamer, Mary, Captain P.
Bennett, from Shanghai via Amoy, reports
cloudy weather and light E. wind all the
passage to Hongkong. Passed the steamer
Yase and S. S. Prim bound to Amoy.

The N. G. barque Herby, Captain P.
Comrad, reports left Hongkong on 24th
Nov. bound to Yokohama, had light vari-
able wind the first part of passage until
27th Nov. On 29th and 30th Nov., had
strong gales from E. N. E. to N. E., with
heavy cross sea. 2nd December, at noon,
Breaker Point bearing W. N. W. 6 miles,
very heavy cross sea; had the fore top-
mast carried away, and was obliged to put
back to Hongkong for repairs.

The British barque Eleanor Dixon, re-
ports moderate N. E. winds to Bojador,
off which heavy gale of 48 hours and heavy
cross sea, filling the decks, washing away bul-
warks, skylight, filling store-room, and
damaging a large quantity of provisions. Mo-
derate again for 2 or 3 days, when had
another gale from N. N. E., very heavy
cross sea breaking over the ship, washing
all hands from the pumps, splitting top-
sails and courses, shifting cargo. Moderate
again for a day; bent other sails, but it came
on again as bad as before, splitting the top-
sails and courses again; ship making so much
water and pumps going day and night, bore
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sails and courses again; ship making so much
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CARGOES.
Memo. of Cargo per Petchee, cleared
for London on the 30th Nov., 1869.—
1 case Congo Tea.
800 100-b. boxes Orange Pekoe Tea.
1350 100-b. boxes Scented Cape Tea.
1600 100-b. boxes Gunpowder Tea.
120 750-b. bales Silk Refusa.
100 packages Cans.
3 cases Cape Shawls.
3 cases Lacquered Ware.
580 rolls Matting.
10 cases Paper, 1st quality.
100 cases Preserves.
6 bales Straw, for Mats.
And shipped at Hongkong for Re-exportation.
20 bales Hemp.
1 case Personal Effects.

UNDER DESPATCH.
For Swatow, Amoy and Shanghai.—Per
Norma, on Saturday, the 4th instant, at
6 p.m.
For Nagasaki, Higo and Yokohama.—
Per steamer Fushizuma, on Sunday, the
5th instant, at daylight.
For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per
Douglas, on Sunday, the 5th instant, at
8 a.m.

For Manila.—Per San Lorenzo, on Satur-
day next, the 4th instant.
For Saigon.—Per French Steam Frigate
Minerva, at noon, to-morrow, the 4th in-
stant.
For Manila.—Per Mars, at 3.30 p.m., to-mor-
row, the 4th instant.
For Shanghai.—Per United Service, on
Saturday the 4th instant, at 2 p.m.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.
For SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI.—
Per NORMA, on Saturday, the 4th in-
stant, at 5.30 p.m.
For NAGASAKI, HIGO & YOKO-
HAMA.—Per FUSHIZUMA, on Saturday, the 4th
instant, at 6.30 p.m.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—
Per DOUGLAS, on Sunday, the 5th
instant, at 7.30 a.m.
For MANILA.—Per "SAN LORENZO," on Saturday
next, the 4th instant, at 11.30 a.m.,
instead of at the time previously
notified.

For French Steam Frigate "MINERVA,"
at 11 a.m. To-morrow, the 4th in-
stant.
For MANILA.—Per MARS, at 3.30 p.m. To-mor-
row, the 4th instant.
For SHANGHAI.—Per "UNITED SERVICE," on Sat-
urday, the 4th instant, at 1.30 p.m.

For INDIA, EUROPE, &c.
Per La Compagnie des Services Mar-
itimes des Messageries Impériales
Str. CAMBODGE, on Tuesday, the
7th inst. at 11 a.m. To and through
the United Kingdom via Marseilles,
to France and other Continental
States (in a closed mail, to France);
to Saigon, Singapore, Galle, India,
Aden, Seychelles, Reunion and Mau-
ritius, India and Alexandria; after
which no letter can be received.
Letters for Registration will be received
until 10 a.m. on the 7th inst.
Correspondence intended to be forward-
ed by the vessels of the above com-
pany must be superscribed per Messag-
eries Impériales Packet.
Money Orders on any of the Money
Order Offices, in the United King-
dom will be granted until 10 a.m.
on the 7th inst.
F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, December 3, 1869. de3

It is hereby notified for general infor-
mation, that, as an experiment, Mails will be
made up at this Office, to be forwarded by
each homeward bound Steam Packet, to the
United Kingdom and to places beyond
the United Kingdom via Brindisi.
All Letters and newspapers intended to
be forwarded in these Mails must be special-
ly directed via Brindisi, and they will be
liable to the following rates of Postage,
viz:—
FOR A LETTER.
Addressed to the United Kingdom, not
exceeding half an ounce in weight, 38 cents;
for every additional half an ounce, 38 cents.
Addressed to the United States of Amer-
ica, not exceeding half an ounce in weight,
48 cents; for every additional half an
ounce, 48 cents.

FOR EVERY NEWSPAPER.
Addressed to the United Kingdom, not
exceeding 4 ounces in weight, 8 cents; for
every additional Newspaper not exceeding
4 ounces, 8 cents.
Addressed to the United States of Amer-
ica, not exceeding 4 ounces in weight, 10
cents; for every additional Newspaper not
exceeding 4 ounces, 10 cents.
The Postage must be fully prepaid. Un-
paid or insufficiently paid Letters, &c., will
not be sent via Brindisi. Book Packets
and Packets of Patterns will not be for-
warded via Brindisi.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, November 24, 1869.

It is hereby notified, by order of His
Excellency Sir Richard Graves MacDonnell,
that, henceforward, the rates of Post-
age chargeable on Packets of Printed
Papers or Patterns of light weight sent
from Hongkong to the United Kingdom
when forwarded via Southampton, will be
as follows:—
For a Packet not exceeding one
ounce in weight, 2 cents.
For a Packet above one and not
exceeding two ounces, 4 cents.
And of double these rates when forwarded
via Marseilles.

Packets of greater weight than two
ounces will remain subject to the same rates
as are now chargeable, viz:—
8 cents for every four ounces when for-
warded via Southampton, and
12 cents for every four ounces when for-
warded via Marseilles.

This alteration will apply to Printed
Circulars, Price Lists, Market Reports and
all printed papers other than Newspapers,
as well as to Books and Trade patterns or
samples.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 12th August, 1869.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES ON SUNDAYS
IN HONGKONG.
St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—Morning, 11
o'clock.—Canon Beach. Afternoon 4 o'clock
—Canon Beach. The Holy Communion
is celebrated on the First Sunday in every
month, at the 11 o'clock service; and on
the Third Sunday in every month, at 8.30
a.m.

UNION CHURCH.—Minister, Rev. D. B.
Morris. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Even-
ing Service, 7.30 p.m.
ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL.—Welling-
ton Street. Very Rev. T. Raimond, P. P.
Ap. In the morning, at 6.15 Mass;
at 7.2nd Mass; at 8.3rd High Mass with
Sermon in Portuguese; at 10. Last Mass
with Sermon in English. In the afternoon,
at 4. Catechism in Portuguese, English and
Chinese; at 4.30, Sermon in Portuguese;
at 5. Benediction.

St. FRANCIS XAVIER'S CHAPEL.—Spring
Gardens. In the morning, at 7. Mass with
Sermon in Chinese. In the afternoon, at
4. Benediction.
St. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHAPEL.—(Ser-
vice in Chinese.) Morning 10 o'clock.—
Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. Afternoon 3 o'clock.
—The same.

BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Service in
the German language, by Pastor E. Klette,
on every Sunday, at half past ten a.m., in
the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House,
West Point.
WELLS' HOME.—Evening Service, at
6 p.m.—Canon Beach.

QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, 3rd December, 1869.
OPTUM.—Patna, New, ... \$538
Old, ... 535
Benares, New, ... 520
Old, ... 524
Malwa, ... 652 1/2
Punjab, ... 550, nom.
COTTON.—BOMBAI, 18 a 23 1/2
CALCUTTA, 15 a 22 1/2

Exchange.
Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 4/5 1/2
Credits, 6 ... 4/5 1/2
In Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 225
Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 225
Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Tls. 75
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. B., ... 4 1/2 a 5 1/2
Specie, ... 4 1/2 a 5 1/2
Mexican, ... 23.30
Gold Leaf, 999 touch, ... 23.30
Gold Bar, ... 23.30
English Sovereigns, ... 4.52
Australian Sovereigns, ... 4.50
Discount, ... 8 a 9
Gas Company Shares, ... 44
H. & W. pos. Dock, Old, ... 5 p.c. disc.
H. & W. pos. Dock, New, ... 25 p.c. prem.
Do, do, New, ... 14 1/2 p.c. prem.
Union Dock, ... 50 p.c. disc.

Temperature.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1869.
(Taken at Messrs. Falkner & Co.'s Premises,
Queen's Road.)
Thermometer.—9 a.m., Dry, ... 70
Do, Wet, ... 68
Do, 4 p.m., Dry, ... 69 1/2
Do, Wet, ... 67
Self-registered Maximum, ... 70
Do, Min. over night, ... 65
Barometer.—9 a.m., ... 30.030
Do, 4 p.m., ... 29.998

NOTICE.—It is particularly requested that
all communications relating to the general
business of this paper be addressed to the
Proprietor and in no case to individuals by
name. Much delay and inconvenience in the
transaction of business will thereby be
avoided.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.
Our columns are open to all who wish to
address the public on legitimate grounds, but
we do not hold ourselves responsible for the
opinions of our correspondents.
All communications addressed to this paper
must be accompanied by the name of the
writer, not necessarily for publication, but as
a guarantee of good faith.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DEC. 3, 1869.

THE CROFTON PIRACY.

A SIGNIFICANT illustration of the change
for the better which has come over these
waters is to be found in the manner in
which the news of the Crofton piracy
has been received in this Colony. While
excitations on the score of the who have
perpetrated the murder, if not also tor-
ture, of the unfortunate Captain and his
crew are as deep as might be expected,
the occurrence, horrible and painful as
it is, is no longer looked upon as one of
an intolerable series of exasperating
crimes, the commission of which can be
debited to Chinese bad faith and colonial
official apathy. On the contrary, it is
felt to be exceptional, and while its hor-
rible details thereby stand out in clearer
light, our maledictions fall entirely on the
heads of the murderers. The thorough
enforcement of a prohibitive ordinance
on our part, and no small zeal on the
part of the Chinese foreign-armed flotilla,
has almost purged southern waters in
this neighbourhood, and death from piracy
need scarcely be reckoned amongst the
habitual dangers of our local navigation.
While we gratefully admit this fact,
however, and accord ample praise to the
various agencies which have conducted to
the change which four short years have
witnessed, it would be absurd to blind
ourselves to the fact that the crime of
piracy is still an ever present, though
now seldom visible, danger. Universal
experience in China teaches us that no-
thing but constant repression, exercised
through a long series of years, can avail
to abolish any crime, vice, or habit, to
which the Chinese have become habitu-
ated; and it is scarcely to be expected
that the practice of piracy, coeval with
the earliest days of the native settlers on
this coast, and possessing traditions and
history, which could they be unfolded,
would prove amongst the most interest-
ing records of buccannery adventure
ever given to the world, will in three or
four short years be stamped out even by
the rightly-directed zeal at present dis-
played. It is well known that while
foreign craft have of late enjoyed com-
parative immunity, native junks, not Hong-
kong-registered, continue to suffer scarcely
less than of old, though prudential
considerations generally avail to seal the
lips of those who would otherwise turn
informers. Nothing is wanted but a re-
laxation of the strict regulations hitherto
in force, to permit this hydra-headed
monster to again spring up and scourge
our colonial shipping; foreign or native,
as before.

It is well that the rascals who attacked
the unhappy crew of the Crofton have
chosen a time when some relaxation of
our generally admirable Harbour and
Coast Ordinance is under consideration.
It remains, of course, to be seen whether
any connection between the junks seen
and Hongkong can be traced by qualified
experts. But assuming that this will
not be the case, the occurrence may use-
fully tend to moderate the extravagant
views of those who hold that all danger
whenever has disappeared. It is sad
indeed that we should have to profit by

such a lesson, but nothing can avail to
restore to life the unfortunate men so
cruelly deprived of it; and we can now
only seek a melancholy satisfaction in
utilizing it so as to take every reasonable
precaution against a similar fate befalling
others placed in unfortunate and non-re-
sisting positions as were the Crofton's
weakened crew. There has been no lack
of prompt zeal on the part of the Macao
authorities to seek and take vengeance on
the murderers, and the action taken by
the Comtesse deserves every praise. We are
not acquainted, however, with the port
regulations of Macao, and a general
glance at its inner harbor would lead one
to believe that no regulations existed
regarding the armaments of native ves-
sels visiting those waters. If such be the
case, could not some aid be rendered
towards the suppression of piracy by
prohibitive regulations similar in spirit to
those in force here? We credit Gov-
ernor Souza with as much zeal as our
own against such universal enemies as
pirates, but long habit and custom have
rendered the formidable armaments so
often visible on board junks at Macao
familiar to its residents, and the idea may
not have been vividly presented to them
that license in such matters leads to
crime.

It is needless to refer to the corollary
help rendered to the *Medusa* by the N. G.
Corvette *Medusa*, the Chinese gunboat *Sui*
tsing and the steamer *Jessieboy*. In such
a case as that of hunting down pirates
seen, if not caught, red-handed, all civilized
men are, literally, brothers. The Chinese
fishermen, however, who first gave infor-
mation should receive something more
substantial than thanks if, as may be
presumed, they were helpless and not
consenting witnesses to the execution of
the Europeans. The whole affair is a
sad one, but we must draw the best
lesson from it which can be learnt.

THE FREDERICK'S BOAT F. YEN
TAK'S JUNK.
In the Summary Jurisdiction Court yester-
day, before Hon. J. C. White, an
application was made by Mr. Caldwell
(attorney for Captain Nisole) for an
appeal against the judgment in the case
of *A. Nisole v. Yen Tak* given on the
23rd ultimo. The facts of the case, it
may be recollected, were simply that the
Yen Tak junk, returning from Sheklong
to Hongkong early on the morning of
the 14th Nov., ran into and caused
damage as since stated to a pleasure-boat
then anchored astern of the ship *Frederic*.
This was borne out by witnesses—Capt.
Nisole, Chief Officer Burgess, an English-
man, a Chinese looking, and an European
constable, being amongst those who sup-
ported the plaintiff's claim for damage.
This evidence was met, on the part of the
defendant, by a negative; and the impos-
sibility of such an occurrence having
taken place was shown (as alleged by Mr.
Hazard) by evidence as to time of
arrival, period taken in the passage from
Sheklong to Hongkong, and the diffi-
culty of identifying a junk three-quarters
of a mile away after she anchored.

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THE COMPAGNIE DES SERVICES MARITIMES DES MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES
 Commandant **P. CAMBODGE**
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T. A. HARRIS,
 General Post Office,
 Hongkong, October 7, 1899.

Post-Office Notifications.
 It is hereby notified for general information that henceforward closed mails for the United Kingdom will be made up at this Office and forwarded to London by the United States Mail Packet via San Francisco.

Post-Office Notifications

1. It is hereby notified for general information that the Contract between the Government of Mauritius and the Union Steamship Company, for the conveyance of Mails on a monthly basis between Mauritius and the United Kingdom, has been renewed.

2. No alteration has been made in the rates of postage on correspondence addressed to Mauritius.

3. As the communication with Natal and the Cape of Good Hope is suspended, the correspondence for those Colonies, unless marked to be forwarded by Private Ship, will, in future, be sent in the Mails for London at the following rates of postage, which must be paid in advance:—

Upon Letters sent by way of South Africa, 2s. 6d. per half-ounce.
 When sent by way of Mauritius, 4s. 6d. per half-ounce.

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Person's Name.	Captain.	Flag & Regt.	Tonn.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
Admiral	Schrick	Span. str.	1,800	Nov. 30	Wm. Purdon & Co	Europe	
Albatross	Spanier	Amer. str.	1,800	October 17	Olyphant & Co	New York	Early
Albatross	Hatthinson	Brit. str.	1,435	October 30	Jardina, Matheson & Co		
Albatross	Puentes	Brit. str.	1,435	October 27	Gilman & Co		
Albatross	Jean	Brit. str.	1,860	Nov. 11	Turner & Co.	Channel & London	Early
Albatross	Boldish	Span. str.	1,610	Sept. 26	Landstein & Co		Early
Albatross	Azopa	Span. str.	1,200	Dec. 1	Spanish Consol		
Albatross	Feuvre	Brit. bk.	357	Dec. 1	Order		
Albatross	Thailand	Brit. bk.	333	Sept. 3	Chinese		
Albatross	Owen	Brit. bk.	360	Nov. 13	Gilman & Co		
Albatross	Kroll	N. Ger. bk.	260	Nov. 30	Siemsen & Co	London	Immediate
Albatross	Hatthinson	Brit. str.	1,435	Nov. 30	Wm. Purdon & Co		
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